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PAIRS AND DIGITAL SIGNATURE KEY PAIRS IN A PUBLIC KEY SYSTEM

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## **Amendment After Final**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 27, 1999 regarding the above captioned patent application, the applicants hereby respectfully submit the following amendment and response.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the claims, please amend claims 1, 9, 14, 21 and 26 as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) A method for providing updated digital signature key pairs in a public key system comprising the steps of:

providing, through a multi-client manager unit, selectable <u>digital signature</u> expiry data including at least public <u>verification</u> key expiry data and selectable private <u>signing</u> key expiry data that is selectable on a per client basis <u>wherein the digital</u> <u>signature key pairs are not shared among users</u>;

digitally storing both selected public key expiry data and selected private key expiry data for association with a new digital signature key pair; and

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